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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER

FROM:

THE SITUATION ROOM

SUBJECT:

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ITEMS

INDIAN CABINET RESHUFFLE: THE AMERICAN EMBASSY IN NEW DELMI REPORTS THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED THE RESULTS OF MRS. GANDHI'S LONG-EXPECTED CABINET RESHUFFLE. THE MAJOR CHANGES INVOLVED THE TRANSFER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS MINISTER SINGH TO DEFENSE; FINANCE MINISTER CHAVAN TO EXTERNAL AFFAIRS; INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY MINISTER SUBRAMANIAM TO FINANCE; AND DEFENSE MINISTER RAM TO AGRICULTURE. MRS. GANDHI'S CHANGES OF PORTFOLIOS CARRY MORE ADMINISTRATIVE THAN POLITICAL SIGNIFICANCE WITH THE MAJOR EMPHASIS ON CONTINUITY. THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE POWERFUL POLITICAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE OF THE CABINET (MRS. GANDHI, CHAVAN, RAM AND SINGH) REMAINS THE SAME. THE NEW ASSIGNMENTS OF MRS. GANDHI'S SENIOR CABINET COLLEAGUES ALSO INDICATE THAT SHE IS INTERESTED IN IMPROVING ADMINISTRATION PERFORANCE.

MAVROS TO RESIGN TO LEAD HIS PARTY IN GREEK ELECTIONS: PRESS REPORTS THAT DEPUTY PREMIER AND FOREIGN MINISTER MAVROS WILL RESIGN FROM THE NEW CARETAKER GOVERNMENT WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS TO LEAD HIS PARTY'S ELECTION CAMPAIGN.

ECEVIT ASKED TO FORM NATIONAL COALITION GOVERNMENT: REUTER RE-PORTS TURKISH PRESIDENT KORUTURK TONIGHT ASKED MR. ECEVIT, WHOSE GOVERNMENT RESIGNED THREE WEEKS AGO, TO TRY TO FORM A NATIONAL COALITION GOVERNMENT.

FRG TO HOLD TALKS ON DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH CUBA: PRESS REPORTS THAT ACCORDING TO GERMAN STATE MINISTER KARL MOERSCH, NEGOTIATIONS ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH CUBA ARE IMMINENT.

JCS CHAIRMAN COMMENTS ON EXPORT OF CRITICAL TECHNOLOGY TO THE USSR: REUTER REPORTS THAT GENERAL BROWN TODAY WARNED THAT THE U. MIGHT BE GOING TOO FAR IN THE EXPORT OF CRITICAL TECHNOLOGY TO THE SOVIET UNION. SPECIFICALLY HE MENTIONED RUSSIAN VISITS NEARLY A YEAR AGO TO AMERICAN PLANTS MAKING WIDE-BODIED COMMERCIAL JETS, WHICH ARE PRODUCED BY MCDONNELL-DOUGLAS AND LOCKHEED. "OBVIOUSLY, THEY LEARNED A LOT FROM THAT. WE WOULD HAVE PREFERED THAT THEY DIDN'T MAKE THE TRIP." GENERAL BROWN TOLD HIS FIRST PENTAGON PRESS CONFERENCE THAT HE DID NOT BELIEVE THE PENTAGON PRESS CONFERENCE THAT HE DID NOT BELIEVE THE PENTAGON DECLARSIFICATION IN PART 2011/03/15: LOC-HAK-550-1-65-8

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THE PCE-ML HAS BEEN WORKING WITH UNIDENTIFIED TUPAMAROS. THE ABILITY OF THE PCE-ML TO LAUNCH A TERRORIST CAMPAIGN IN ECUADOR WOULD APPEAR TO BE LIMITED IN THAT THE PCE-ML HAS FEW ACTIVISTS. THE GROUP PROBABLY HAS THE ABILITY TO BOMB SELECTED TARGETS. GOVERNMENT SECURITY SERVICES, HOWEVER, ARE LIKELY TO BE AWARE OF THESE PLANS AND PROBABLY HAVE BEGUN TO TAKE STEPS TO ELIMINATE THE DANGER.

THE WASHINGTON STAR-NEWS

JEREMIAH O'LEARY REPORTS THE STATE DEPARTMENT THIS WEEK ORDERED A 50 PERCENT REDUCTION IN THE DISTRIBUTION OF DIPLOMATIC CABLES BOTH WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT AND TO OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES BECAUSE OF CONCERN OVER SECURITY LEAKS AND THE MOUNTING COST OF PRODUCING UP TO 180,000 A DAY.

A STAR EDITORIAL ON THE "DIVIDENDS OF DETENTE" SYS THAT, FOR THEIR PART, THE STAR APPLAUDS THE TREND IN THIS COUNTRY TOWARD A SOMEWHAT MORE SKEPTICAL APPROACH IN OUR DEALING WITH THE COMMUNIST BLOC. THEY ARE STRONGLY IN FAVOR OF A GENUINE IMPROVEMENT IN EAST-WEST RELATIONS AND OF MEASURES DESIGNED TO PROMOTE IT THAT ARE CLEARLY IN THE NATIONAL INTERESTS OF BOTH SIDES. BUT THE CONCEPT OF DETENTE AS A KIND OF BLANK CHECK WRITTEN IN THE HOPE OF BUYING THE FRIENDSHIP OF THE COMMUNIST WORLD IS ONE WHICH THEY DO NOT ENDORSE.

WILLIAM F. BUCKLEY ASSERTS IT IS ALMOST CERTAIN NOW THAT IT IS ONLY A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE U.S. AND CUBA ARE "NORMALIZED." NORMALIZED IS HERE DEFINED AS: WE WILL DESIST FROM DOING ANYTHING AT ALL THAT IS INCONVENIENT TO CUBA, AND CUBA WILL CONTINUE TO DO EXACTLY AS CUBA DESIRES TO DO WITH RESPECT TO US, AND OTHER COUNTRIES IN THE HEMISPHERE.

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